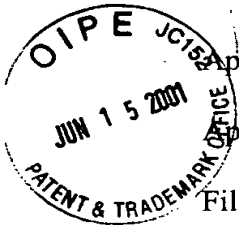


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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated April 11, 2001, be extended for a period of one month, from June 11, 2001 to and including July 11, 2001.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$110.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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